

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

ANDREW MARVIN STEAN, JR,

Plaintiff,

v.

BELLINGHAM POLICE  
DEPARTMENT; KEVIN BEAN;  
DANTE ALEXANDER; ANDREW  
WASSEL,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:24-cv-01209-JNW

MINUTE ORDER

The following Minute Order is made by direction of the Court, the Honorable  
Jamal N. Whitehead, United States District Judge:

Pro se Plaintiff Andrew Marvin Stean, Jr., requests leave to file a USB flash  
drive containing video footage that was produced by Defendants. Dkt. No. 21.

Parties do not need leave of the Court to submit evidence in written or physical  
form to the Court. As such, the Court STRIKES the motion from the docket.

Stean also asks the Court to (1) obtain a copy of video evidence that Stean  
alleges was filed in a state-court proceeding, (2) conduct an *in camera* review of that  
evidence, comparing it to the video evidence Stean has filed with the Court (Dkt.

1 No. 22), (3) determine, upon review, that the evidence filed by Stean in this Court  
2 (Dkt. No. 22) is an edited version of the evidence that was filed in the state-court  
3 proceeding, and (4) order exclusion of irrelevant portions of the video evidence filed  
4 in this Court. Dkt. No. 21 at 4. These requests are procedurally improper and  
5 therefore DENIED.

6 To the extent Stean is seeking discovery from Defendants—that is, if he seeks  
7 to compel Defendants to produce the allegedly unedited video footage that was filed  
8 in state court—he must first serve Defendants with a request for production. *See*  
9 Fed. R. Civ. P. 34. If Defendants object to any such request or do not otherwise  
10 comply, then—and only then—may Stean move to compel under the local and  
11 federal procedural rules. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 37; LCR 37.

12 The Court directs Stean to review the District’s online resources for pro se  
13 litigants. *See* <https://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/representing-yourself-pro-se>. The  
14 District’s Pro Se Guide, which is intended to assist self-represented individuals who  
15 are pursuing civil actions in the District, discusses the discovery process at Page 26.

16 It is so ORDERED.

17 Dated this 30th day of January 2025.

18 Ravi Subramanian

19 Clerk

20 /s/Kathleen Albert

21 Deputy Clerk  
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